

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Friday, March 21, 2014 – 0800 MT  
National Preparedness Level 1**

**National Fire Activity (Weekly Total)**

Initial attack activity: Light (697 new fires)  
 New large fires: 15 (\*)  
 Large fires contained: 16  
 Uncontained large fires: \*\* 5  
 Area Command Teams committed: 0  
 NIMOs committed: 0  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 0  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 0

\*\* Uncontained large fires include only fires being managed under a full suppression strategy.

[Link](#) to Geographic Area daily reports.

**Southern Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 482  
 New large fires: 9  
 Uncontained large fires: 4

\* **Higgins**, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land four miles southwest of Higgins, TX. Mesquite, juniper and grass. Minimal fire behavior. Oil facilities threatened.

\* **McKinley**, Osage Agency, BIA. One mile northwest of Bartlesville, OK. Grass. Smoldering. Structures threatened.

**Waldo**, Okmulgee Agency, BIA. Four miles northeast of Weleetky, OK. Hardwood litter. Minimal fire behavior. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

**Bird Creek**, Okmulgee Agency, BIA. Five miles east of Weleetky, OK. Hardwood litter. Minimal fire behavior. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Incident Name	St	Unit	Size	Size Chge 24 Hrs	% Ctn	Est Ctn	Totl Pers	Pers Chge 24 Hrs	Crw	Eng	Heli	Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
* Higgins	TX	TXS	29,616	---	80	UNK	24	---	0	3	0	2	NR	PRI
* McKinley	OK	OSA	3,758	---	75	UNK	48	---	0	18	0	0	20K	BIA
Waldo	OK	OMA	621	0	90	3/21	16	0	0	3	0	0	10K	BIA
Bird Creek	OK	OMA	180	0	95	UNK	2	-14	1	2	0	0	9K	BIA
Goose	LA	LCR	2,154	654	100	---	4	-4	0	3	0	0	20K	FWS
* Mountain Bear	OK	OMA	1,372	---	100	---	9	---	0	1	0	0	20K	BIA

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* Gravel Stand Complex	TN	CNF	1,056	---	100	---	36	---	1	1	1	0	64K	FS
Long Creek	OK	OKS	640	0	100	---	2	-11	0	1	0	0	4K	ST
McDowell	OK	OMA	623	23	100	---	4	-11	0	1	0	0	20K	BIA
* Deer Head Cove	GA	GAS	504	---	100	---	---	---	0	0	0	0	NR	PRI
Rocks Mtn.	VA	SHP	464	14	100	---	0	-6	0	0	0	0	105K	NPS
* Vulcan	GA	GAS	400	---	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	PRI
* Gum Swamp Road	NC	NCS	222	---	100	---	7	---	0	2	1	0	4K	ST
* Joe Brown	TN	CNF	194	---	100	---	8	---	0	1	0	0	20K	FS
* Briar Patch Lost	NC	NCS	130	---	100	---	26	---	0	4	0	0	15K	ST

LCR – Lacassine, NWR  
SHP – Shenandoah NP

CNF – Cherokee NF  
NCS – North Carolina DOF

OKS – Oklahoma DOF

GAS – Georgia Forestry Commission

### Southern California Area (PL 2)

New fires: 7  
New large fires: 1  
Uncontained large fires: 1

\* **Encinal**, San Benito-Monterey Unit, Cal Fire. Eight miles southeast of Salinas, CA. Timber, chaparral and grass. Active fire behavior with upslope runs and isolated torching.

Incident Name	St	Unit	Size	Size Chge 24 Hrs	% Ctn	Est Ctn	Totl Pers	Pers Chge 24 Hrs	Crw	Eng	Heli	Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
* Encinal	CA	BEU	400	---	50	3/21	93	---	4	5	1	0	54K	ST

### Rocky Mountain Area (PL 1)

New fires: 17  
New large fires: 4  
Uncontained large fires: 0

Incident Name	St	Unit	Size	Size Chge 24 Hrs	% Ctn	Est Ctn	Totl Pers	Pers Chge 24 Hrs	Crw	Eng	Heli	Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
* Shannon Creek	KS	PTX	4,000	---	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	11K	CNTY
* 170 <sup>th</sup> and Homestead	KS	ELX	1,200	---	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	25K	CNTY
* Moyer Ranch	KS	GEX	1,000	---	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	11K	CNTY
* Wolf Creek	KS	GEX	700	---	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	2	6K	CNTY

PTX – Pottawatomie County

ELX – Ellis County

GEX – Geary County

**Eastern Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 106  
 New large fires: 1  
 Uncontained large fires: 0

Incident Name	St	Unit	Size	Size Chge 24 Hrs	% Ctn	Est Ctn	Totl Pers	Pers Chge 24 Hrs	Crw	Eng	Heli	Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
* Devereaux	MO	MTF	969	---	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	15K	FS

MTF – Mark Twain NF

**Other Fires**

(As of March 21)

GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AK	0	0	0	0	0	0
NW	0	0	0	0	0	0
NO	0	0	0	0	0	0
SO	1	1,724	0	0	0	3
NR	0	0	0	0	0	0
EB	0	0	0	0	0	0
WB	0	0	0	0	0	0
SW	0	0	0	0	0	0
RM	0	0	0	0	0	0
EA	0	0	0	0	0	0
SA	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	1	1,724	0	0	0	3

**Predictive Services Discussion:** For the latest daily weather forecast, please consult the National Weather Service graphical forecasts for the U.S. at: <http://graphical.weather.gov/sectors/conusWeek.php#tabs>

<http://www.predictiveservices.nifc.gov/outlooks/outlooks.htm>



## UNINFORMED ON STRATEGY, TACTICS OR HAZARDS

*Fireline Safety Category*

Firefighters who are uninformed on strategy, tactics or hazards are in conflict with Watchout Situation #5. Before going to the fireline, it is imperative that firefighters obtain information about strategies, tactics or hazards by asking themselves the following questions:

- Can communications be established to find out strategy, tactics or hazards? Discuss ways you might establish communications; for example, contacting someone who is already on the fire and asking them what tactics and strategies are working or not working, what hazards they have witnessed, etc.
- Can scouting safely identify potential hazards? Talk about different methods of scouting a fire (e.g., using a lookout from your crew or sending a line scout ahead, utilizing air attack or the spotter on a smokejumper airplane). Discuss what types of hazards you might come across and ways you would mitigate them. For example, arriving at a fire after dark and a being instructed to dig line downhill with the fire below. How could you make this a safe situation?
- Have strategies, tactics or hazards changed since last informed? Discuss situations that might alter the way you are fighting a fire (e.g., wind shifts, resources you expected don't arrive, etc.). Also, think about what new hazards can develop while you are on the fireline (e.g., roots burning out and trees coming down, winds shifting direction and speed, etc.)
- Can you get a briefing from your supervisor? Talk about the importance of constant communications and ensuring firefighters are on the same page with strategies and tactics. For example, if one crew decides to do a burnout, but doesn't let the crew at the other end of the line know what they are doing, then what can happen?
- To reduce the risks:
  - Post lookouts.
  - Determine escape routes and establish safety zones.
  - Consider retreating until you are informed.
  - Don't leave a staging area or operational briefing until you have all the pertinent information. Emphasize ways to inform firefighters about strategies, tactics and hazards. Tell a story about when you were uninformed and what you did to correct the situation so that you were safe.
  - Get the national standard Incident Response Pocket Guide standard briefing

**References:**

[Interagency Standards for Fire and Fire Aviation Operations](#)  
[Incident Response Pocket Guide](#)

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### Fires and Acres Last Week

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	3	0	3
Northwest	FIRES	1	0	0	0	0	1	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northern California	FIRES	0	1	0	0	54	5	60
	ACRES	0	6	0	0	20	1	27
Southern California	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	7	7
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	307	307
Northern Rockies	FIRES	2	0	0	0	1	0	3
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	2	0	0	0	5	0	7
	ACRES	3	0	0	0	6	2	11
Western Great Basin	FIRES	1	1	1	0	0	0	3
	ACRES	4	0	0	0	0	0	4
Southwest	FIRES	0	0	0	0	7	1	8
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	9	0	9
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1	0	2	0	13	1	17
	ACRES	0	0	86	0	7,545	0	7,631
Eastern Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	77	29	106
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	717	1,620	2,337
Southern Area	FIRES	0	0	1	1	466	14	482
	ACRES	0	0	655	5	9,072	3,284	13,016
TOTAL	FIRES	7	2	4	1	625	58	697
	ACRES	7	6	741	5	17,372	5,214	23,345

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	3	0	3
Northwest	FIRES	1	1	1	0	4	4	11
	ACRES	0	0	9	0	11	0	20
Northern California	FIRES	0	1	1	0	435	27	464
	ACRES	0	6	17	0	889	885	1,797
Southern California	FIRES	5	11	4	3	416	61	500
	ACRES	0	31	52	3	915	1,946	2,947
Northern Rockies	FIRES	3	0	0	0	3	3	9
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	4	4	0	0	10	0	18
	ACRES	13	2	0	0	6	2	23
Western Great Basin	FIRES	1	11	1	2	4	0	19
	ACRES	4	0	0	0	1	0	5
Southwest	FIRES	76	19	0	5	111	28	239
	ACRES	692	3	0	13	425	93	1,226
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	43	1	12	0	46	8	110
	ACRES	335	0	360	0	10,911	3	11,609
Eastern Area	FIRES	0	0	5	3	322	73	403
	ACRES	0	0	82	4	4,167	2,340	6,593
Southern Area	FIRES	252	0	14	23	7,217	182	7,688
	ACRES	19,950	0	2,249	262	71,517	10,045	104,023
TOTAL	FIRES	385	48	38	36	8,570	386	9,463
	ACRES	20,994	42	2,769	282	88,847	15,314	128,248

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>11,210</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>389,803</b>

\*\*\* Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments. \*\*\*

**Prescribed Fires and Acres Last Week**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northwest	FIRES	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
	ACRES	0	477	0	0	0	40	517
Northern California	FIRES	0	0	1	1	0	3	5
	ACRES	0	0	43	30	0	675	748
Southern California	FIRES	0	0	0	1	0	1	2
	ACRES	0	40	0	45	0	1	86
Northern Rockies	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	40	40
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	0	0	1	0	0	1	2
	ACRES	0	345	800	0	0	1	1,146
Western Great Basin	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southwest	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	0	1	1	0	0	1	3
	ACRES	0	56	152	0	0	6	214
Eastern Area	FIRES	0	0	3	1	12	6	22
	ACRES	0	0	167	504	1,388	11,376	13,435
Southern Area	FIRES	4	0	5	0	649	53	711
	ACRES	940	0	2,676	0	31,739	62,681	98,036
TOTAL	FIRES	4	3	11	3	661	68	750
	ACRES	940	918	3,838	579	33,127	74,820	114,222

**Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northwest	FIRES	0	27	4	0	0	9	40
	ACRES	0	3,266	2,780	0	0	1,815	7,861
Northern California	FIRES	0	2	7	8	0	100	117
	ACRES	0	115	2,383	58	0	5,326	7,882
Southern California	FIRES	0	4	3	1	0	42	50
	ACRES	0	270	191	48	0	1,820	2,329
Northern Rockies	FIRES	0	5	0	0	3	9	17
	ACRES	0	506	0	0	20	77	603
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	3	7	3	4	16	15	48
	ACRES	70	1,547	816	43	191	2,107	4,774
Western Great Basin	FIRES	0	1	0	0	3	1	5
	ACRES	0	451	0	0	33	180	664
Southwest	FIRES	0	7	4	0	0	30	41
	ACRES	0	5,974	96	0	0	6,236	12,306
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	10	19	9	9	27	53	127
	ACRES	399	957	944	179	701	4,946	8,126
Eastern Area	FIRES	0	0	25	1	172	24	222
	ACRES	0	0	7,809	504	13,702	22,416	44,431
Southern Area	FIRES	58	0	68	12	3,832	440	4,410
	ACRES	10,356	0	25,465	9,208	189,314	405,885	640,228
TOTAL	FIRES	71	72	123	35	4,053	723	5,077
	ACRES	10,825	13,086	40,484	10,040	203,961	450,808	729,204

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Additional wildfire information is available through the Geographic Areas at <http://gacc.nifc.gov/>.

This report contains information derived from the National Fire and Aviation Management Web Applications (FAMWEB) system and other sources to provide relative information about emerging and ongoing incident activity. This information is considered operational in nature, is subject to change, and therefore may not match official year-to-date agency records.

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